

Christmas Specials



LOCAL NEWS

M. L. Perrigo was in Colman, Tuesday on business.

Miss Vera Fox of St. Louis was an Alma visitor on Friday.

Miss Mae Kyes spent Sunday with her parents in Forest Hill.

O. W. Bardick of Shepherd was in Alma Tuesday on business.

Miss Grace Rogers spent Sunday with her parents at Ithaca.

Mrs. S. Ostrander of St. Louis was an Alma visitor on Monday.

John Pinkson has purchased a new Studebaker Four of M. L. Perrigo.

Ernest Bacon of this city made a business trip to Breckenridge, Monday.

Thomas Mayes was called to Berlin, Ontario, Saturday by the death of his sister.

Charles Dailey and Miss Marie Warwick spent Sunday with friends in Owosso.

Miss Hope Rose a student at the college, visited her parents over the week end.

Dr. E. G. Sluyder, Osteopathic Physician, Vermueer Block, Union phone 47.—Adv.

Miss Wealthy Graham recently resigned her position as clerk at W. S. Proud's store.

Mrs. Ed Drury of St. Louis, visited her sister, Mrs. E. Clark of this city on Friday.

Mr. Clare English of Tuscola, Ill., is visiting his brother Chet English of this city.

P. G. Look of Lowell was in Alma, Friday in interest of the Look-Paterson Drug Co.

Misses Gladys Garnahan and Orpha Derham of St. Louis were Alma visitors Saturday.

L. L. Conn, secretary of the Union Telephone Co., of Owosso, was in town last Saturday.

Miss Alwilda Peet spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Peet at Ithaca.

Ray McNamara of Mt. Pleasant recently took a position with the Republic Motor Truck Co.

Miss Elynn Lind a student of the college spent the week end with her parents in Bay City.

Misses Hazel Hampton and Mae Starry of St. Louis visited Mrs. R. J. McLaughlin on Friday.

A. S. McIntyre and Carl Harrington of St. Louis, stopped in Alma Saturday enroute for Harrison.

Miss Nell Hamilton and Mrs. E. McClellan are assisting at Proud's store during the holiday rush.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Chadwick of Toledo, spent Sunday with his parents, E. N. Chadwick and wife.

Mrs. T. J. Turrill of Merrill visited her daughter, Mrs. John Converse the latter part of last week.

Miss Mary Stitt who is now attending Mt. Pleasant Normal, was the week end guest of her parents.

Miss Ketha Fowler, who is attending the local high school spent the week end with her parents near Coe.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lindsay spent Sunday at the home of their daughter Mrs. Harlo Eckart in Breckenridge.

G. H. Smith the local representative of the Holland Furnace Co., transacted business in Edmore on Friday.

Mrs. William Fox and Miss Vera Taylor of St. Louis stopped in Alma on Friday enroute from Mt. Pleasant.

W. S. Proud has recently secured the services of Miss Blanche McNaughton as bookkeeper at his store.

James Dyer who is employed as electrician by the Consolidated Light & Power Co., fell from a ladder breaking one rib and cracking two others.

George D. Chase of North Baltimore, Ohio, is in this vicinity this week looking after his farm west of Alma.

Mrs. A. R. Smith left Tuesday to spend a few days in Grand Rapids, visiting friends and doing some shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hill of St. Louis spent the latter part of last week with their daughter, Mrs. P. D. Hayward and family.

Mrs. J. F. Jackson and little daughter Dorothy and Esther Rhodes were in Saginaw on Friday and Saturday to do Christmas shopping.

I. N. Verrian and family motored to Durand last Saturday, returning Sunday, little late for motoring but they report a pleasant time.

Owing to the large increase in the Model Bakery's business we have been compelled to work nights, thus giving our customers better service.—Adv.

Miss Tressa Gee who is in the employ of the Michigan State Telephone Co., visited her sister, Mrs. Max Church in the country last Thursday.

Harold Radman, Miss Clara Shaffer and Rev. Thomas Brownlow motored to Ithaca on Sunday to attend the Epworth league rally and Rev. Brownlow took charge of the evening service of the Methodist church.

Richard Acton who has been employed in the Republic Motor Truck Company's shops having had his finger smashed, left Friday to spend a few days at his home near St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Price left Saturday afternoon for Ithaca, where they attended the sub-district Epworth league rally. Mr. Price giving a stereopticon lecture on Missions in Africa.

Mrs. G. H. Smith left last week to spend a few days in Grand Rapids and Rockwood with friends from whence she will journey to St. Paul, Minn., to spend about three months with her son C. C. Denton.

H. C. Moore, last Friday evening attended a banquet in Sothton, given by a Young People's society, having been previously called upon for a toast for this occasion.

Frank Whittington a last year's student of Alma College stopped to visit friends on the campus and in the city on Thursday and Friday, enroute for Valparaiso, Ind., where he will pursue his studies further.

The funeral services of Frank Sloan was held at the Christian church Wednesday, Dec. 8th at 2 p. m., conducted by Rev. George Carl of Alma and Rev. Mudge of Sumner. Music furnished by Wright's quartette. The bearers were five son-in-laws and one grandson. Remains were laid at rest at Riverside cemetery.

L. O. Ellison who is an ardent believer in advertising, experienced another demonstration this week which is very convincing. A subscriber of The Record in an Ohio town wrote Mr. Ellison the first of the week ordering five pounds of that "big 250 pound cheese" he saw advertised in The Record. He immediately filled the order and is waiting for more.

TAD'S CHRISTMAS THEATER.

How President Lincoln Came to Grant's Unique Request.

Tad Lincoln wanted a Christmas gift such as perhaps no other president's son ever wanted before or since.

"Father," said Tad, "there is something I'd like for Christmas. If you'll give it to me."

As the son asked the question his father looked at the boy over the rims of his spectacles in a grave way and asked:

"What is that, my son?"

"I want a theater," said Tad.

"Well, my boy, I don't know that I have any objection," said the president. "There are plenty of them, I suppose, in the toy shops."

"Oh, but I don't want a toy theater," protested the youngster. "I want a real one. There isn't any reason why we shouldn't have a theater in the White House."

Mr. Lincoln was not at first disposed to take the suggestion favorably, but Tad, who was his favorite child and at that time eleven years old, was persistent, and at length the indulgent parent yielded. This was just before the Christmas of 1863—too late to have the theater ready for the holidays, many preparations being required. But it is a matter of history, though known to few, that not long after the following New Year's day the boy's ambition was realized, a room on the second floor of the executive mansion being set aside for the purpose and a stage erected, with gas footlights and simple scenery.

HOLLY FOR THE PRESIDENT.

Southern Belles and Beaus Brought It by Stagecoach.

Before railways coaches changed horses at Alexandria and at the capital, and loads of young belles and beaus went to the Christmas parties in Washington, carrying to the president and his family holly and trilling pine from their southern homes.

President Buchanan, with Miss Lane, "the golden beauty of the White House," gave grand fetes to the young people of the capital in 1858-9 on Christmas eve. The maidens wore empire gowns and high combs. To each guest Miss Lane gave a sprig of holly berries as a souvenir.

Perhaps the most attractive event of President Johnson's administration was the Christmas party for children given to please his nephews and nieces and their friends. A platform stood in the center of the east room, on which sat the Marine band. Overhead were festooned silken flags, and flowers bloomed everywhere. It was a fairy-land of butterfly coloring—gold and crimson canopies, stockings and pretty clippers.

Mr. Glum on Christmas.

My old friend Mr. Glum declares that holidays are all a sell; they interfere with our affairs and cost a lot of cash as well. And yet his words cannot prove my envy for his bearded sum. I'd rather have a stomach ache than view the world like Mr. Glum.

He vows that festival events are but rehearsals for ill health. He laments no pleasant endimeas unless, perchance, 'tis done by stealth. But even dyspepsia cannot make my views of life to his measure. I'd rather have a stomach ache than surce a grouch like Mr. Glum.

—Washington Star.

SWEET CREAM

We can always supply you with fresh sweet Cream.

The Kind That Whips.

We have a large stock of Assorted nut meats, our line of confection's are always fresh and up-to-date.

Buy Your Christmas Candies here.

Remember we cater to parties, churches, schools and lodges.

W. H. Miner & Son

The loss of a position has no terrors to the efficient workman who has learned the use of classified advertising.

Want ads are "Job Insurance" at a very low rate.

The demand for our Home Made Candies is such that our stock is always fresh. It is better thus---so much better that our patrons' demands are oft repeated. Special price on quantity for schools and churches; 8c per lb. and up.

Fancy Box Candies, Cigars, Pipes, and Ornamental Vases and Statues.

Ice Cream and Fruits of all kinds for the Christmas dinner. Leave your orders early.

Luchini's Fruit Store

Union Phone 284, Alma

Christmas Suggestions



EXCEPTIONAL OPPORTUNITY To Secure Christmas Presents

In our whole history we have never shown such a large and up-to-date display of "goods of quality" suitable for Christmas as we are showing this year. It will pay and please you to come in and look over our line. You seldom see a greater variety, even in the large cities.

Some Suggestions For Your Selection:

Pocket Knives—Pearl and fancy a specialty

Cutlery—Both Staple and Fancy

Razors—Shaving sets, Strops, Hones, etc.

Manicure sets—A large line to choose from

Carving sets, Roasters, Steak Planks

Tools, Auto Sundries, Flashlights, Cartridge Belts, etc.

Electric Lantern, Guns, Hunting Coats.

Cartridge Belts, etc.

Illuminum Ware, One of the finest stocks in the county. Casseroles, nearly a hundred from which to choose

Mahogany Trays, Crumb Trays, Pie Trays,

Vegetable Dishes, Baking Dishes, Chaffing

Dishes, Silver Ware, Nickle Wear, Bath

Room Ware, Coffee Percolators,

Tea Kettles, Tea Pots, Food Choppers,

Sausage Stuffers, Lard Press, Oil Dust

Mops, Vacuum Cleaners, Roller Bear-

ing Coaster Wagons and Hand

Sleds.

J. E. Page Hardware

Both Phones No. 51

ALMA, MICHIGAN

Wright House Barber Shop

Excels in Up-to-Date Shaves and Hair Cuts.

Baths and Cigars

THREE CHAIRS

Willard & Lott, Props.



G. B. PORTER

REGISTERED

OPTOMETRIST

Fine Watch Work a Specialty

State Street, Second Door South of Ellison's Grocery

LATEST BOOKS

KODAKS

BIBLES

THERMOS BOTTLES

SMOKING SETS

MANICURE SETS

AT

RHODES' DRUG STORE



To be Cut December 24d Place Your Order Now

250 lbs. of the richest New York Cheese made.

Price per lb., 25c

You Can Save Big Money by buying your Xmas Groceries here. Let us fill your Xmas order and convince you that you should start the New Year by making Ellison's store your store.

Christmas Cash Specials

Lilly White Flour per sack 87c

25c Hawaiian Pineapple sliced 21c

10 bars Lenox Soap for 25c

FRESH FRUITS	DRIED FRUITS
Grape Fruit 3 or 4 25c	Citron Peel, per lb. 22c
Navel Oranges, 50, 40, 35, & 25c	Lemon Peel, per lb. 20c
Tangerines, Fancy, per doz. 25c	Orange Peel, per lb. 20c
Malaga Grapes, per lb. 30c	Candied Pineapple, per lb. 50c
Tokay Grapes, per lb. 20c	Fancy Prunes, per lb, 12, 15, 18c
Eating Apples, per pk. 25c	Fancy Apricots, per lb. 20c
Fancy Bananas, per doz. 20c	Figs and Dates, per lb., 10c to 20c
Celery, Radishes and Lettuce	Cluster Raisins per lb. 30c

WE ALSO HAVE A FULL LINE OF

CIGARS WALNUTS XMAS TREES

TOBACCOS PECANS HOLY

CANDIES BRAZILS HOLY WREATHS

FANCY BASKETS ALMONDS XMAS CANDLES

POP CORN PEANUTS FANCY WAFERS

Ellison's Grocery

Established 1870.

ALL DAYS are Bargain Days IN DRESSES at THIS SHOP. Don't FAIL TO CALL and SEE the Fancy Novelties

in Japanese Luncheon Sets

Leather Pillows, Imported Japanese Card Cases, all made up, and all the latest styles.

Gaffney's Style Shop

Merry Xmas to You All